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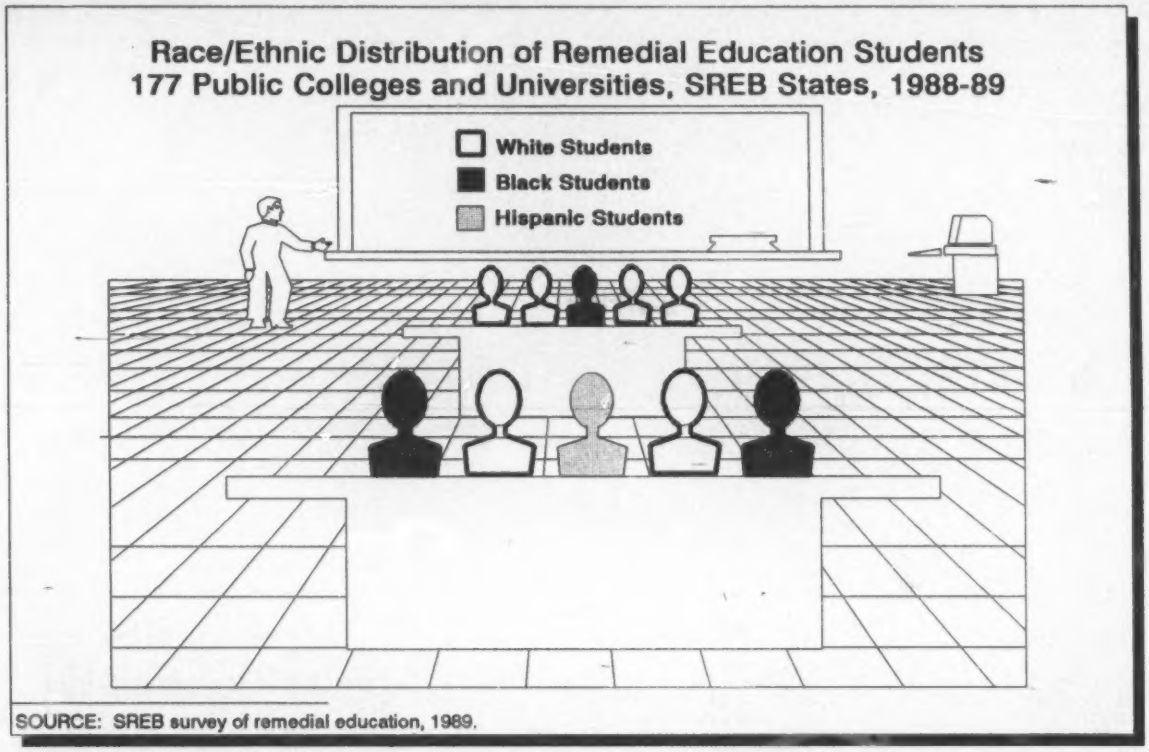

Race/Ethnic Distribution of Remedial Education Students
177 Public Colleges and Universities, SREB States, 1988-89
White Students
Black Students
Hispanic Students
SOURCE: SREB survey of remedial education, 1989.

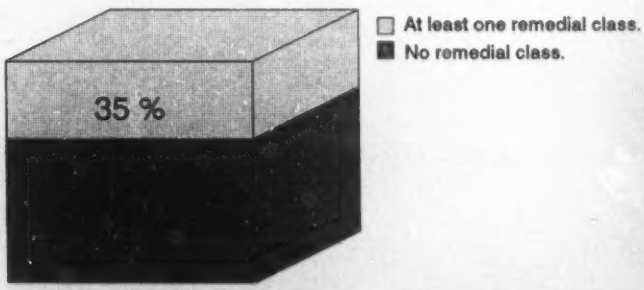
Minorities Not Majority in College Remedial Education

• Six of every 10 of the first-time freshmen in remedial courses in public colleges and universities in the SREB states are white students; three are black students; and, rounding off, one is Hispanic.

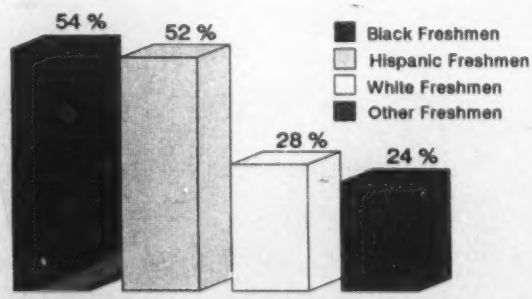
• Of the nearly 562,000 first-time freshmen attending public colleges and universities in the SREB states in the fall of 1988, nearly 200,000, or about 35 percent, were enrolled in at least one remedial course.

• Within race/ethnic groups, 54 percent of black first-time freshmen; 52 percent of Hispanic first-time freshmen; 28 percent of white freshmen; and 24 percent of other first-time freshmen were enrolled in at least one remedial course.

Percent of Freshmen in Remedial Classes



Percent of Groups in Remedial Classes



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Percent Distribution of First-Time College Freshmen in Remedial Education Courses, By Race/Ethnic Group, 246 Colleges and Universities, SREB States, 1988-89

(Supplements Table 21, *SREB Fact Book on Higher Education, 1990)*

	Public Two-Year (RR=32%)*	Public Four-Year (RR=40%)*	All Public (RR=35%)*	All Private (RR=22%)*	All Institutions (RR=30%)*
White Non-Hispanic	62.5	57.5	60.6	46.9	59.6
Black Non-Hispanic	22.7	39.7	29.0	45.6	30.3
Hispanic	12.0	1.0	7.9	4.0	7.6
Other	2.8	1.8	2.6	3.4	2.5
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	1.6	0.8	1.3	0.4	1.3
Non-Resident Aliens	0.8	0.8	0.8	2.8	0.9

* "RR" indicates the response rate (percent responding) for each sector of higher education. Of the 826 public and private higher education institutions in the region surveyed by SREB, 606 (73 percent) responded. Of these, 246 institutions (103 public two-year, 74 public four-year, and 69 private) provided data by race/ethnic group. The sum of each column does not add to 100 percent due to rounding.

NOTE: Data represent the race/ethnic distribution of all students (unduplicated count) taking at least one remedial education class in the reporting institutions. The data do not represent an average of the race/ethnic distributions of individual colleges.

SOURCE: SREB survey of remedial education at institutions of higher education, 1989.

Additional information on first-time freshmen remedial education students in the SREB states is available in the SREB publication "They Came to College?," *Issues in Higher Education*, Number 25, 1991. For further information, contact Ansley Abraham.

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